Doctoral Student Term-to-Term Progress toward Degree Completion

Year Term	Anticipated Timeline, Milestones	Adjusted Timeline with Justification	Progress			
			Accomplishments Per Term	Good	Reasonable	Inadequate
Y1-FA	• Complete CADS 7040 & 7060, & 1st statistics course.					
Y1-SP	• Complete CADS 7050, & 1st Graduate Theory Course.					
	• Choose major professor.					
Y1-SU	• For non-thesis master's graduates, begin planning for completion of a research project and development of a manuscript.					
Y2-FA	• Identify broad topical area with major professor and probable dissertation focus.					
	• Choose committee members.					
	• Complete Plan of Study (Degreeworks) under guidance of major professor and submit for committee approval.					
Y2-SP	• Complete most or all coursework except dissertation.					
	• For non-thesis master's graduates, complete submission of a manuscript for peer-reviewed journal publication.					
	• Set target date and establish plan with committee for General Examination.					
	• Begin development of dissertation proposal.					
	• Prepare for General Examination.					
Y2-SU	• Complete General Examination (written and oral) to transition to candidacy.					
Y3-FA	• Submit dissertation proposal to committee, followed by a committee meeting to defend.					

	• Begin dissertation research. Must have one intervening semester between general exam and dissertation defense.					
Y3-SP	• Complete graduation check (Graduate School).					
Y3-SU	• Complete and defend dissertation (final examination).					
Y4-FA						
Y4-SP						